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General Assembly

Seventieth session

High-level Thematic Debate on the United Nations, Peace and Security

[webcast]

Opening segment

10:00 — **Trusteeship Council Chamber**

High-level plenary segment: In a world of risks: Today's threats to international peace and security

10:30 — **Trusteeship Council Chamber**

Interactive session 1: Sustainable peace in a world of risks: Is the United Nations effective in preventing and managing conflicts?

15:00 — **Trusteeship Council Chamber**

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Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

10:00 to 11:30	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 149 (Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (A/70/574*, A/70/701 and A/70/742/Add.16))	
11:30 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on:	
	Agenda item 150 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad (A/70/559 and A/70/856))	
	Agenda item 156 (Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (A/70/560 and A/70/857))	
	Agenda item 163 (Financing of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic (A/70/564 and A/70/858))	
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on:	
	Agenda item 158 (Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (A/70/566, A/70/707* and A/70/742/Add.10))	
	Agenda item 152 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (A/70/586, A/70/753 and A/70/742/Add.13))	

General Assembly

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group IV (Electronic Commerce)
Fifth-third session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Informal informal consultations

15:00 to 16:30		Conference Room 6
	Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases" (under agenda item 12 (f)), convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation	

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fifteenth session

10:00 to 13:00 3rd meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

15:00 to 18:00 4th meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

Implementation of the six mandated areas of the Permanent Forum with reference to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [item 4]

General discussion

[Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies are reminded that observers who had not indicated their participation will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis, on the floor of the conference room. Observers to the session are also reminded to communicate the composition of their delegations, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

For background and other related documents of the fifteenth session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/indigenous. The fifteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal. Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The list of speakers *is open*. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Delegates are kindly requested to bring *30 copies* of their statements for technical services and also e-mail their statements to papersmart1@un.org for posting on the PaperSmart portal. Statements should be e-mailed *at least one hour* prior to the scheduled speaking slot and the e-mail subject should include the entity name, meeting name and related agenda item. PDF format is preferred.

For the list of side events, please *click here*.]

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

Informal consultation on "Audit and investigation, evaluation and ethics"

10:00 to 14:30 Conference Room 5D
(UNFPA Headquarters (605 Third Avenue))

Other meetings

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Briefing on "Migration, Environment and Climate Change" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh and France and the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Conference Room 9

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Christopher Richter, IOM (e-mail crichter@iom.int; tel. 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 204); to register, please send an e-mail to rsvpnewyork@iom.int.

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (special briefing)

12:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Event entitled "The Role of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and GeoDesign in Achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Jamaica, the secretariat of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management and the Institute for Conscious Global Change (ICGC))

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Etta D. Jackson, ICGC (e-mail etta@consciousglobalchange.org).

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventieth session

High-level Thematic Debate on the United Nations, Peace and Security

Wednesday, 11 May 2016

Interactive session 2: Leading by example: Innovative partnerships and responses

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Interactive session 3: Responsibility for implementation: Beyond the current conundrum

11:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

High-level plenary segment: In a world of risks: Today's threats to international peace and security (continued)

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Closing segment

17:55 Trusteeship Council Chamber

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General Assembly
Seventieth session

Wednesday, 11 May 2016

Informal informal consultations

10:00 Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations on all issues relating to the Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020

Informal informal consultations

10:00 Conference Room 1

Informal informal consultations to provide a technical briefing by UNAIDS on issues relating to the political declaration of the 2016 high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

Informal consultations

15:00 Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on how to enable the participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 27 April 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Advisors of the process are available for bilateral meetings with interested delegations and Indigenous Peoples' organizations or caucuses on Thursday, 12, Monday, 16, and Tuesday, 17 May 2016. Those wishing to book a time slot for bilateral meeting are kindly invited to refer to the programme and contact Ms. Maria Martinho (e-mail martinho@un.org; and copy to ipadvisers@un.org).]

Friday, 13 May 2016

Plenary meeting

10:00 General Assembly Hall

Plenary meeting to consider sub-item (c) of agenda item 113 (Election of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme) (Note by the Secretary-General (A/70/859)); and sub-item (b) of agenda item 114 (Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions) (report of the Fifth Committee (A/70/540/Add.1 (to be issued))

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

Wednesday, 11 May 2016

Friday, 6 May 2016

10:00 37th meeting Conference Room 3

Morning (following the adjournment of the 37th meeting) Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

General Assembly

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-sixth session

Monday, 6, to Friday, 24 June 2016

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information. The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 20 May 2016*.

For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-700 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943); or by e-mail to contributions@un.org.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation
Nineteenth Session

Monday, 16, to Thursday, 19 May 2016 Conference Room 2

The provisional agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents SSC/19/L.2 and SSC/19/L.3.

The list of speakers for the general debate is now open and will be closed on Monday, 16 May 2016, at 18:00. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers, as well as those which have not yet transmitted the list of their delegates to the session, are kindly requested to convey the information, *as soon as possible*, to the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (e-mail southsouth@undp.org).

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Informal hearings with representatives of local authorities' associations in preparation for the Conference

Monday, 16, and Tuesday, 17 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/210 of 22 December 2015, two-day informal hearings with representatives of local authorities' associations, convened to exchange views with countries on the zero draft of the outcome document of the Conference

[A letter from the Co-Chairs, dated 16 February 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. The programme and detailed supporting documentation will be made available on the Conference website (please *click here*).]

Informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference

Wednesday, 18, to Friday, 20 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/210 of 22 December 2015, informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference, convened by the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference

[The Co-Chairs have circulated in a letter, dated 6 May 2016, to all permanent representatives and permanent observers the zero draft outcome document of the Conference, which will be the basis of discussions during the negotiations. To view the zero draft outcome document, please *click here*.]

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Monday, 23, to Friday, 27 May 2016

The Conference will be resumed on Monday, 23 May 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2.

The provisional agenda, as well as the draft organization of work of the Conference, are contained in documents A/CONF.210/2016/L.1 and A/CONF.210/2016/L.2. The above documents, as well as other relevant information on the resumed Review Conference and the list of side events scheduled during the Conference, are available on the web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

With regard to the composition of delegations, the attention of participating States is drawn to Rule 7 (Submission of credentials) of the provisional Rules of Procedure of the Review Conference (A/CONF.210/2006/6). Accordingly, participating States that have not yet done so are requested to submit their credentials to the Division by *Friday, 20 May 2016* (e-mail doalos@un.org, with a copy to santosuosso@un.org; Room DC2-450; fax 1 (917) 367-0560).

States representing a Group of States, as well as delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers, are invited to contact the Division (e-mail doalos@un.org, with a copy to amerim@un.org; fax 1 (917) 367-0560).

PaperSmart arrangements will be available for the duration of the resumed Review Conference. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart8@un.org. The entity name, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred. To access the PaperSmart of the resumed Review Conference, please *click here*.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide *twenty* hardcopies of the text for the technical services *no later than one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Security Council

Wednesday, 11 May 2016

The Security Council will hold an open debate at 10:00, on "Countering the narratives and ideologies of terrorism", in connection with the agenda item "Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by email. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than four minutes. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or email, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

Formal open consultations

Monday, 20, to Wednesday, 22 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), as set forth in paragraph 3 of resolution 1977 (2011), is currently conducting a Comprehensive Review on the status of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). In this connection, the Chair of the 1540 Committee, His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi, Permanent Representative of Spain, will convene formal open consultations of the Committee with Member States, relevant international and regional organizations, and appropriate sectors of civil society. Additional information will be provided in the near future.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Informal informal consultations

Friday, 13 May 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases" (under agenda item 12 (f)), convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation

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First Annual Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals

Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/313 and 70/1, first Annual Multi-stakeholder Forum on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI forum) on the theme "Realizing the potential of science, technology and innovation for all to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals", convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea).

For more details on the STI forum, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail liuw@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3212). Additional information is also available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2016 resumed session

Monday, 23 May, to Wednesday, 1 June;
and Friday, 10 June 2016

Conference Room 1

The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/C.2/2016/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org), with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057. Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Web site of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*). Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Pre-session briefing

Tuesday, 24 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 4

In preparation for the first regular session, informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its annual session (14-16 June 2016), combined with an informal briefing on: a) Annual report for 2015 on the evaluation function in UNICEF, and management perspective; and b) Protecting children from violence: a comprehensive evaluation of UNICEF strategies and programme performance, and management response.

All interested delegations are invited.

Informal briefing

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 8

Informal briefing on: (a) UNICEF Office of Internal Audit and Investigations 2015 annual report to the Executive Board and management response; and (b) Report of the Ethics Office of UNICEF for 2015

All interested delegations are invited.

Annual session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016

Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2016/5. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than Friday, 10 June 2016*.

In accordance with rule 50(2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The upcoming 2016 annual session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website.

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing 'Documents' webpage, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board homepage will provide a link to the 'In-session' webpage that will make available all supporting documentation (Powerpoints and statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the 'In-session' webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

Thursday, 12 May 2016

15:00 to 16:30

Conference Room 8

Informal consultations on the annual report on evaluation and management response

All member and observer delegations are invited.

Informal consultations

Monday, 16 May 2016

15:00 to 16:30

Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the report of UNDP on internal audit and investigations

All member and observer delegations are invited.

Annual session 2016

Monday, 6, to 10 June 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2016/L.2. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Ms. Henrietta Bledman (e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org for UNFPA, *as early as possible*, but *no later than* Monday, 23 May 2016.

The annual session 2016 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Pre-session informal consultation

Friday, 20 May 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 2

Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services; the United Nations Children's Fund; the World Food Programme; and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Joint meeting

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

All member and observer delegations are invited.

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

Briefing on "UNFPA census evaluation"

Thursday, 12 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 6

All member and observer delegations are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Imelda Katjomuise, UNFPA (e-mail katjomuise@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-4927).

Forthcoming conferences at Headquarters

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties
Ninth session

Tuesday, 17 May 2016

Informal briefing

15:00 to 16:00

Conference Room 6

Informal briefing on the ninth session of the Conference of States Parties, convened by the Bureau (Republic of Korea) (Chair); Brazil, Italy, Poland and United Republic of Tanzania (Vice-Chairs)), in collaboration with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Office of Legal Affairs.

All delegations are invited to attend.

Ninth session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *163* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *109* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *election* to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information).

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the Secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org) or visit UN Enable website (www.un.org/disabilities).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Event entitled "Beyond the United Nations Peace and Security Architecture: How Can Enhanced Cooperation with Civil Society and Regional Organizations Help the United Nations to Fulfill its Purpose?" (co-organized by the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC) and the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS) and the African Center for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (ACCORD))

Wednesday, 11 May 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, contact UN-NGLS (e-mail info@un-ngls.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3125).

Event entitled "Progress and Developments in Francophone Contributions to United Nations Peacekeeping Operations" (organized by the International Organization of la Francophonie (IOF), in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Canada and Senegal)

Wednesday, 11 May 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact IOF (e-mail reper.new-york@francophonie.org; tel. 1 (212) 867-6771).

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group

Wednesday, 11 May 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Event entitled "The Future of Civilian Protection in Peace Operations2: Endorsing and Implementing the Kigali Principles" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of the Netherlands and Rwanda and the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)

Wednesday 11 May 2016

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands (e-mail nyv-rsvp@minbuza.nl).

Event entitled "Women and Mediation: Experiences in Ensuring Wider Participation of Women in Peace Processes" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden)

Wednesday, 11 May 2016

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Marianne Heino, Permanent Mission of Finland (e-mail marianne.heino@formin.fi; tel. 1 (212) 821-0215).

High-level meeting on "Sustaining Peace: Mechanisms, Partnerships and the Future of Peacebuilding in Africa" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO) and the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union)

Thursday, 12 May 2015

09:00 to 13:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Mr. Karim Mike Bakhit (e-mail bakhitk@un.org); or Mr. Jean Victor Nkolo (e-mail nkolo@un.org)); or *click here*.

High-level training for permanent representatives, deputy permanent representatives and chargés d'affaires (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Permanent Mission of Italy)

Thursday, 12 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 9

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 7

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; or pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; fax 1 (212) 963-4611).

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 12 May 2016

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Special event entitled "Families, Healthy Lives and Sustainable Future" (on the occasion of the International Day of Families (15 May)) (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Thursday, 12 May 2016

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Renata Kaczmarska, DESA (e-mail kaczmarska@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4596); or *click here*.

Event entitled "Sharing National Practices: Ombudsman Institutions – Guardians of the Rule of Law" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Tajikistan and the Rule of Law Unit (on behalf of the United Nations Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

Friday, 13 May 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (Ms. Adriana de la Espriella (e-mail delaespriella@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2962); or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935)).

Inaugural Meeting of the Group "Friends of Migration" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh, Benin, Mexico and Sweden)

Friday, 13 May 2016

10:00 to 11:30 Conference Room 9

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Md. Toufiq-ur-Rahman, Permanent Mission of Bangladesh (e-mail toufiq.rahman0233@mofa.gov.bd; tel. 1 (646) 309-2549).

High-level Briefing on "Every Woman Every Child Everywhere: To the World Humanitarian Summit and Beyond" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Norway and the United Arab Emirates and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Friday, 13 May 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hannah Beswick, Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates (e-mail research4.ny@mofa.gov.ae; tel. 1 (212) 371-0480, ext. 204).

Special event entitled "Uniting Nations for a Family Friendly World" (on the occasion of the International Day of Families (15 May)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Belarus, Egypt and Qatar and the Group of Friends of the Family)

Monday, 16 May

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms Irina Velichko, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail iravelichko@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 535-3420); to register, please *click here*.

Opening of the Photo Exhibit "Uniting Nations for a Family Friendly World" (on the occasion of the International Day of Families (15 May)) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Belarus, Egypt and Qatar and the Group of Friends of the Family)

Tuesday, 17 May 2016

18:00 to 20:00 Visitors's Lobby

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms Irina Velichko, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail iravelichko@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 535-3420.

Event entitled "Putting the Paris Agreement into Action: The Role of Efficiency and Renewable Energy" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Slovakia and the NGO Sustainability, Inc.)

Thursday, 19 May 2016

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Valeria Zolcerova, Permanent Mission of Slovakia (e-mail valeria.zolcerova@mzv.sk; tel. 1 (646) 732-5160).

Special commemorating event on the occasion of the Day of Vesak (General Assembly resolution 54/115) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Sri Lanka and Thailand)

Friday, 20 May 2016

18:00 to 19:30 General Assembly Hall

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Uraiwan Courtaud, Permanent Mission of Thailand (e-mail uraiwanya@gmail.com; tel. 1 (917) 855-9691).

Announcements

St. Jerome Translation Contest Award Ceremony
(11 May 2016)

The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management invites delegations and staff members to attend the Award Ceremony for the 2015 St. Jerome Translation Contest, on Wednesday, 11 May 2016, from 16:30 to 18:00, in Conference Room 11. For further information, please visit the Contest website (*click here*); or send an e-mail to dgacm-news@un.org.

World Humanitarian Summit
Istanbul, Turkey (23-24 May 2016)

The Secretary-General will convene the first World Humanitarian Summit from Monday, 23 to Tuesday, 24 May 2016, in Istanbul, Turkey. For more information on the Summit, please *click here*. Representatives of Member States and Observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers for the plenary session entitled "Member States and other Stakeholders' Announcement Plenary" are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; with copy to muturi@un.org). Statements in the Announcement Plenary should not exceed *three minutes*.

Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020

Antalya, Turkey (27-29 May 2016)

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/231 of 19 December 2014 and 70/216 of 22 December 2015, a Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020 will be held from Friday, 27, to Sunday, 29 May 2016, in Antalya, Turkey. For more information, please *click here*. Representatives of Member States and Observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; with copy to muturi@un.org).

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, *by Tuesday, 31 May 2016,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-first session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 44/116O, paras. 8 and 9, entitled "Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof", adopted on 15 December 1989 (Note verbale ODA/26-2016/WMD-Sea-Bed dated 12 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/61, para. 9, entitled "Women, disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/29-2016/WDNPAC dated 18 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/65, paras. 2, 3 and 4, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/28-2016/DNPE dated 16 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/24, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/38-2016/NWFZME dated 1 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/30, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/9-2016/EN dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/31, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/10-2016/ML dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/34, para. 14, entitled "Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/22-2016/HLM-ND dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/36, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/21-2016/WMD-T dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/39, para. 3, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and other explosive devices", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/37-2016/FMCT dated 25 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/42, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/40-2016/CMB dated 14 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/56, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/23-2016/ICJ dated 10 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/72, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/39-2016/SSCMR dated 4 March 2016 refers); and

Resolution 70/237, para. 4, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security", adopted on 23 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/11-2016/IS dated 15 February 2016 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (please *click here*), *by Friday, 27 May 2016,* the information relevant to Resolution 68/43, paras. 3, 4, 5 and 6 (a), entitled "Transparency in armaments", adopted on 5 December 2013 (Note verbale ODA/18-2016/TIA dated 4 March 2016 refers).

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, from Monday, 15, to Friday, 26 August 2016, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

Information concerning the seminar is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

The Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations wishes to express her gratitude to China, Italy and New Zealand for their generous contributions to support the seminar. Additional voluntary contributions are urgently needed to support this seminar.

For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here)*; or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *May 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents (English and Spanish)

Treaty research

Security Council documentation

Basic research on United Nations topics

General Assembly documentation

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 9 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

[archived video]

36th meeting The summary of the 36th meeting of the second part of the resumed session of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/92).

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fifteenth session

[archived video]

1st meeting

Opening of the session

At the opening of the session, a Kipa, a traditional indigenous instrument from Kichwa Saraguro was played by Atahualpa Minga.

The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs opened the session.

Todadaho Sid Hill, Chief of the Onondaga Nation, delivered a welcome message.

Election of the Chair

Statements were made by Ms. Maria Eugenia Choque Quispe and Mr. Gervais Nzoa, members of the Forum.

The Permanent Forum elected Mr. Alvaro Pop as Chair of its fifteenth session, by acclamation.

Opening statements

The Forum heard a video message from the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Opening statements were made by the President of the General Assembly and the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (Estonia).

Election of officers [item 1]

Statements were made by Ms. Joan Carling and Ms. Valmaine Toki, members of the Forum.

The Forum elected Ms. Mariam Wallet Mohamed Aboubakrine, Ms. Aysa B. Mukabenova, Ms. Dalee Sambo Dorough and Mr. Raja Devasish Roy as Vice-Chairs; and Mr. Oliver Loode as Rapporteur of the fifteenth session, by acclamation.

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work [item 2]

The Forum adopted its provisional agenda, contained in document E/C.19/2016/1, as orally revised, and approved its organization of work, contained in document E/C.19/2016/L.1/Rev.1, as orally revised.

Opening statements

Statements were made by the Chair of the Permanent Forum, the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, the Minister of Labor and Social Prevention of Guatemala and the Minister of Justice of Canada.

2nd meeting

The summary of the 2nd meeting of the fifteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/92).

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Monday, 9 May 2016

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

1st meeting

Opening of the session

The Chair of the Commission, Mr. Peter Major (Hungary), opened the session and made a statement.

The Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Mr. Joakim Reiter, made a statement.

Mr. Houlin Zhao, Secretary-General, International Telecommunication Union (ITU), and Mr. Gordon McBean, Secretary-General, International Council for Science (ICSU), addressed the Commission.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 1]

The Commission adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document E/CN.16/2016/1, and approved the proposed organization of work, as contained in an informal paper circulated in English only.

Election of officers

The Commission elected, by acclamation, Mr. Plácido Gómez Ramírez, Vice-Minister for Science and Technology, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology, Dominican Republic, to serve as Vice-Chair of the nineteenth session of the Commission.

Designation of the Rapporteur and Facilitators of draft resolutions

The Commission was informed that the Vice-Chair, Mr. A. Min Tjoa (Austria), was appointed as the Rapporteur for the nineteenth session.

The Commission was also informed that Mr. Michael Walma (Canada) was appointed as the Facilitator for the draft resolution on "Assessment of the progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society", and Vice-Chair, Mr. Plácido Gómez Ramírez (Dominican Republic) was appointed as the Facilitator for the draft resolution on "Science and technology for development".

Science and technology for development [item 3]

The Commission began its consideration of agenda item 3.

Ministerial roundtable on "Implementing the post-2015 development agenda: Moving from commitments to results"

The Chair of the Commission (Hungary) made a statement.

The Commission held a ministerial roundtable on the 2016 theme of the Economic and Social Council, on "Implementing the post-2015 development agenda: Moving from commitments to results". The roundtable was moderated by the Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD, who also made introductory remarks.

An interactive discussion ensued, in which the following participants took part: Mr. Nonofo Molefhi, Minister of Infrastructure, Science and Technology, Botswana; Mr. Plácido Gómez Ramírez, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology, Dominican Republic; Ms. Jamila El Mossali, Minister Delegate to the Minister of the Higher Education, Scientific Research and the training of executives, Morocco; Mr. Susil Premajayantha, Minister, Ministry of Science, Technology and Research, Sri Lanka; Mr. Christian Friis Bach, Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission on Europe; Ms. Shirley Malcom, Hea ! of the Directorate of Education and Human Resources, American Association for the Advancement of Science, and Chair of the Gender Advisory Board, Commission on Science and Technology for Development (CSTD); Mr. Afework Kassu, State Minister, Ministry of Science, Technology and Telecommunication, Ethiopia; Mr. Vaughan Turekian, Science and Technology Advisor to the Secretary of State, United States of America; Ms. Maja Fjaestad, State Secretary, Ministry for Strategic Development and Nordic Cooperation, Sweden; Mr. Fazal Abbas Maken, Federal Secretary, Ministry of Science and Technology, Pakistan; Mr. Robert Glasser, Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction; Ms. Jessica Alupo, Minister, Ministry of Education, Sports, Science and Technology, Uganda; Mr. Fahad Bin Al Julanda Al-Said, Assistant Secretary-General, The Research Council, Oman; Mr. François Xavier Ngarambe, Permanent Representative of Rwanda to the United Nations Office at Geneva; and Mr. Andrew Kihurani, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Kenya to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva.

The Moderator made concluding remarks.

The Commission agreed to transmit the Chair's summary of the discussion of the ministerial roundtable to the 2016 high-level segment of the Economic and Social Council, to be held in New York from 18 to 22 July 2016.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chair.

2nd meeting

The Chair of the Commission, Mr. Peter Major (Hungary), made a statement.

Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes World Summit on the Information Society at the regional and international levels [item 2]

The Commission began its consideration of agenda item 2 and heard a statement by the Chief of the Science, Technology and ICT Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).

Ministerial roundtable on "Review of progress made in the implementation of World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) outcomes"

The Commission held a ministerial roundtable on "Review of progress made in the implementation of World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) outcomes." The roundtable was moderated by His Excellency Jānis Kārkliņš, Permanent Representative of Latvia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, who also made introductory remarks.

An interactive discussion ensued in which the following participants took part: Mr. Susil Premajayantha, Minister, Ministry of Science, Technology and Research, Sri Lanka; Mr. Benedicto Fonseca, Ambassador, Ministry of External Relations, Brazil; Ms. Doreen Bogdan-Martin, Chief of Strategic Planning, International Telecommunication Union (ITU); Mr. Ernesto Rodríguez Hernández, Director-General of Information, Ministry of Communications, Cuba; Mr. Phillip Metzger, Director, Federal Office of Communications, OFCOM, Switzerland; Mr. Indrajit Banerjee, Director, Knowledge Societies Division, Communication and Information Sector, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); Mr. Jørgen Abild Andersen, Chair of the Committee on Digital Economy Policy, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); and Mr. Stefano Bertasi, Executive Director, Department of Policy and Business Practices, International Chamber of Commerce.

General discussion

The representatives of Hungary, China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Canada, the United Kingdom, the United States, Mexico, Turkey and the Dominican Republic made statements.

Statements were also made by the observers for Nepal, South Africa and Morocco.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations: Association for Progressive Communications; Internet Society; and Village Suisse.

The Moderator made a brief summary of the discussion.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chair.

The representatives of Canada and the Dominican Republic made statements in their role as Facilitators.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons. New York, 28 September 1954

Accession: Sierra Leone (9 May 2016)

Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness. New York, 30 August 1961

Accession: Sierra Leone (9 May 2016)

Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. Vienna, 24 April 1963

Accession: Sierra Leone (9 May 2016)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Zimbabwe
His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava

Asia-Pacific States
Iraq
His Excellency Mohamed Ali Alhakim

Eastern European States
Bosnia and Herzegovina
His Excellency Miloš Vukašinović

Latin American and Caribbean States
Bahamas
His Excellency Elliston Rahming

Western European and other States
Monaco
Her Excellency Isabelle Picco

General Assembly

Seventieth session

For the online schedule of formal and informal meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

For *future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place *in the afternoon* on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

For reservation of conference rooms at United Nations Headquarters, please contact the Meeting Management Section/Central Planning and Coordination Division/Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (MMS/CPCD/DGACM) (e-mail emeetsm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8114; or 1 (212) 963-7351).

After a conference room has been assigned in eMeets, please contact the following offices if other services are also needed:

For access and security-related matters, please contact Lieutenant Malinda McCormack/DSS (e-mail mccormackm@un.org, or levyd@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7028);

For nameplates, podium signs and room set-up, please contact the Preparatory Work Team/DGACM (e-mail prepwork@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7348);

For PaperSmart Portal matters, please contact the PaperSmart Team/DGACM (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7349);

For publishing material for inclusion in the *Journal*, please contact the Journal Unit/DGACM (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888; or 1 (212) 963-0493);

For media access and accreditation, please contact the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit/DPI (e-mail malu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6934);

For detailed information on the policies and procedures regarding the use of conference rooms, facilities and services at the United Nations Headquarters, please refer to document ST/AI/416.

Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

Useful *links* to United Nations documentation resources can be found at www.un.org/documents. The Official Document System (ODS) features an enhanced search page (documents.un.org) which, using keywords, facilitates considerably the search and retrieval of documents.

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Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the *Journal* and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device. Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the eSubscription page at www.undocs.org.

An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to help-desk@un.org.

The *DGACM Documents Assistance Centre (DAC)* located in the North Delegates Lounge in Room CB-0264 is a central point of support for delegates seeking documentation assistance. In addition, the Delegates' Documents Counter is located adjacent to the Accessibility Centre in Room S-01B32. To contact the DAC, please call 1 (212) 963-2105; and/or e-mail dac@un.org.

Conference Officer Desks and/or Documents Counters are located in each of the following conference rooms in the Secretariat Building: Conference Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4, the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber, where documents for the meeting being held at that time may be obtained.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call 1 (212) 963-5258.

The *website of the Presidency* of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously *unscheduled meetings* and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of *prepared statements* which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; Room S-0220).

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